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Town	Date	25X1	Installation	Location	Occupation	Remarks
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Tashkent (41°12' N/ 69°15' E)	1947 to May 1949		Military quarters of several brick buildings, stables, garages, storehouses, workshops and a prison	Eastern city sector west of Karl Marx Street	a. Militia officer candidate school; commanded by a major; housing about 200 officers and officer candidates wearing dark-blue cloth blouses, dark trousers, with light-blue piping, tucked into the boots, dark-blue service caps, armed with pistols, rifles and light machine guns; receiving technical training with weapons, motor drivers' training, gymnastics and unspecified instruction.  b. MVD administration; the ranking officer was observed to be a general wearing a blue cloth blouse, epauletts with one large gold star, dark-blue trousers with wide, light-blue piping, tucked into the trousers. Numerous MVD officers were seen there.	
Alma-Ata (43°15' N/ 76°55' E)	1948 to September 1949	25X1	Group of well-camouflaged low brick barracks scattered over more than 500 meters of woodland, including a riding yard	About 3 km south of the city	a unit, the troops of which wore green epauletts and green stripes on caps, was observed there, last in September 1949. It was armed with rifles, submachine guns and light machine guns. One tank was seen in the billeting area. Infantry training, including attacks in massed formation, was held at the training grounds. Bayonet fighting and close-combat training was also observed.	
			2. Military quarters consisting of one three-story brick building	City center near a recently constructed ministry building	Young soldiers wearing gold-bordered black epauletts were seen several times in front of this building in the summer of 1949. These troops were officer candidates. About one company of MVD troops, carrying infantry equipment, was	

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3. Barracks of several brick buildings, enclosed by a high wall

In a woodland located on an exit road on the eastern outskirts of the city

One troop of mounted soldiers was seen in August 1949. They were equipped with three or four about 50-mm AT guns and three or four 76.2-mm AT guns both types horse-drawn and fitted with solid-tire wheels. The troops wore garrison caps and blue-bordered red epaulets. They were armed with submachine guns and rifles.

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1943 to September 1949



Barracks of about six temporary buildings enclosing a square

West of the city on uncultivated ground

Guns with shields and iron wheels were observed in the barracks yard. A gun drawn by four white horses was seen in the training grounds. About 40 soldiers armed with rifles and wearing red-bordered epaulets rode white horses through the town daily.

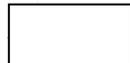
Karaganda (48° 25' N 73° 05' E)

1946 to November 1949

Military quarters

Mikhailovka suburb

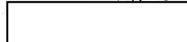
701st NVD Bn, commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Igor Antonovich Sliptsov, subordinate to the 701st NVD Regt in Petropavlovsk. The battalion numbered more than 500 troops, armed with pistols, rifles, submachine guns and machine guns, employed in guarding important installations and POW camps. No army units were seen there.



In Karaganda, troops wearing red epaulets with crossed-carbine insignia

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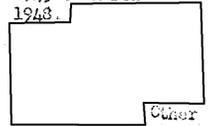
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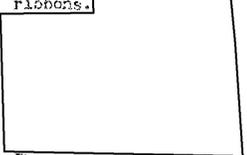
1945 to March  
1948.

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Other  
troops wore blue  
collar patches, blue  
piping, and red cap  
ribbons.

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There were guarded  
the numerous K camps.

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1945 to  
November  
1949



Military quarters  
of two-three-story  
brick buildings  
on an open square

City perimeter

About 40 officers and NCOs. Six to  
eight groups of 15 to 20-year-old  
civilians were always seen there  
undergoing basic rifle drill.

1947 to  
May 1943

Ration supply depot  
of one silo, about  
300x30x40 meters; six  
elevators, about 40  
meters high; one mill;  
eight storerooms,  
about 100x30 meters;  
six grain-unloading  
devices, about 40  
meters in diameter,  
furnished with suction  
devices and silos;  
saw track,

About 10 km west  
of Old Karaganda

Main ration supply depot of the  
Karaganda rayon, supplying civilian  
storehouses, military units and  
K camps. The distribution of the  
rations was supervised by a military  
detail, commanded by an officer. The  
labor force included about 60 Ks and  
about 220 Soviet civilian workers  
working in around-the-clock shifts.  
There was one storehouse for

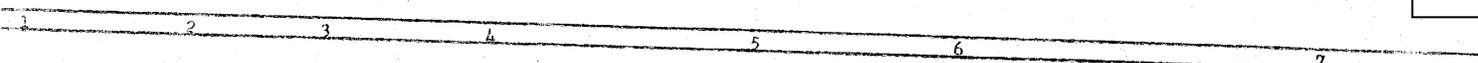
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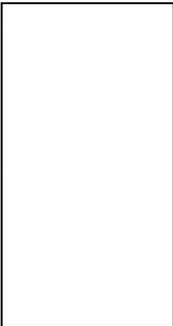
enclosed by a wire fence

flour, one for tinned meat, one for corned beef and sunflower oil, one for sugar, salt and canned milk, one for tobacco, and two storehouses for rusk, dried potatoes and dried vegetables. The incoming shipments were made by rail and were observed at all times. The outgoing shipments were made by truck and horse-drawn vehicles and were destined for installations in the city of Saraganda and the Saraganda area.

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Saraganda  
about 50 km south of Saraganda, on the railroad line leading to Uspenski (43°40' N/72°45' E)

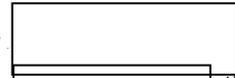
February to June 1949



Barracks of six two-story buildings of wood-frame-brick construction, one mess building, one administration building and officer's billets, enclosed by a barbed-wire fence

Bordering on a Soviet penal camp. Location not remembered

Infantry unit, which when leaving the barracks for the training grounds consisted of 7 headquarters and nine companies. The troops were armed with pistols and long rifles with bayonets. They were engaged in instruction, drill and gymnastics. The officers wore service caps. Draftees wearing civilian clothes were often trucked to these barracks.



this town was the center of the Soviet convict camps in the Saraganda area.

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Leningorsk (former designation: Kinder) (50°20' N/83°30' E)

1945 to July 1948

Barracks of six four-story, new brick buildings, about 60x20 meters

About 400 meters south of the passenger station

Veterized infantry unit of 300 to 1,000 troops. About 500 recruits arrived there in May 1943. A military hospital of two four-story brick buildings, about 60x20 meters was located about 100 meters south of the barracks



an infantry battalion and one AVB company in Leningorsk in early May 1943.

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